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STREPTANTHERA CUPREA.

Photograph of growing plant by R. A. H. Flugge de Smidt

This is now my Fourth List of Seeds and Bulbs and my regular customers will notice many additions to the list. In sending in your orders it would be a great help if you would give me a second choice, as some of the species are still short and I never substitute unless requested to do so.

Bulbs are still 5s. 0s. (\$1.25) per dozen unless otherwise stated. Seeds 2s. 6d. (65 cents). Please do not order less than half a dozen bulbs of a species.

Bulbs are sent out from January to May. Seeds all the year, so long as stocks hold out.

It is very encouraging to hear how well our South African bulbs are doing in all parts of the world and I should like to thank many of my customers for unsolicited testimonials.

If you have not seen Streptanthera cuprea in flower do not miss it next season, it is as easy to grow as Sparaxis.

K. C. STANFORD,

Bloem Erf, Stellenbosch,
SOUTH AFRICA.

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GLADIOLI.

- Gladiolus blandus**—Known as "the fairest Gladiolus," typical "Painted Lady" colouring, 1-1½ ft., up to 20 blooms on a stem, often branched.
- G. cuspidatus**—More delicate than *Gladiolus blandus*, flowers yellow with carmine throat markings, 1 ft. high, segments narrow and very waved.
- G. brevifolius**—Blooms late autumn, small flowers, daintily pink and white, sometimes blue.
- G. cardinalis**—The "Superb Gladiolus," long sprays of large carmine-red flowers with white throat markings outlined in dark red. Likes moist shady spots.
- G. Leichtlinii**—Spikes 4 ft., lowers orange and red. Graceful.
- G. Stanfordiae**—Flowers autumn, plants make nice clumps of foliage with many sprays of pink and white flowers.
- G. crassifolius**—Also flowers late, flowers smaller and deeper pink than *G. Stanfordiae*.
- G. gracilis**—The earliest to bloom, 1-2 ft. high, very graceful, flowers blue, marked with yellow on the lower lip. One of the prettiest.
- G. maculatus**—The most sweetly scented of all the Gladioli, resembles *G. grandis* on a small scale, flowers winter. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- G. recurvus**—One of the earliest to flower, large yellow or blue flowers on 6 in. stem. Very sweetly scented.
- G. hirsutus**—Large deep pink blossoms, striped white. Sweetly scented. Very robust and handsome.
- G. orchidiflorus**—Very attractive new species, resembles *G. alatus* in shape, having upper segment elongated and turned over, flowers soft bronze, sometimes marked with purple. Very sweetly scented. Bulbs 10s. per dozen.
- G. trichonemifolius**—Flowers very early, dwarf flowers, clear yellow. Scented.
- G. formosus**—Height 1-1½ ft., flowers cream, blotched with purple.
- G. Bolusii variety Burchellii** (Riversdale Blue Bell)—Large lavender blue bells, 7-9 open at one time.
- G. debilis**—A very pretty spring flowering species, 1½-2 ft. high on thin wiry stems, blossoms white, very prettily marked with deep carmine.
- G. callistus**—3 ft. high, flowers well spaced out on stem, pale pink or white with deeper throat markings. Manner of growth reminds one of *Prim. hybrids*.
- G. angustus**—Very branched, of the "Painted Lady" type, with very long narrow perianth tube.
- G. angustus (variety)**—Taller and sturdier than the type, very much branched.
- G. odoratus**—New species, winter blooming, large flowers marked brown or mauve. Very sweetly scented by day. Price 15s. per dozen.
- G. primulinus**—Parent of the *Prim. hybrids*, blossoms very clear yellow.
- G. villosus**—Flowers with *G. gracilis*. Somewhat smaller. Flowers pink.
- G. carmineus**—Flowers in autumn and the long leaves come later. Very intense colour. Large flowers on short stem.
- G. alatus or Kalkoenje**—A peculiar type, should be useful in hybridizing. Large flowers, terra-cotta with green or yellow on lower segments. Sweet scented. 6 in.-1 ft.
- G. psittacinus**—Height 5 ft., large flowers on strong stems, red flecked with orange.
- G. tristis**—Height 4-6 ft., very thin stems, flowers 10-20 in a spray, pale yellow mottled brown. Very sweet scented after sunset. Flowers midsummer.
- G. tristis (variety)**—Height 1 ft., 2 or 3 large blooms on a stem, flowers early spring.
- G. grandis**—Resembles *G. tristis* but flowers are larger and 3-4 on a stem, usually reddish-brown or bronze, mottled with yellow. A most attractive flower of perfect form with pointed waved segments. Very sweetly scented in the evening. Flowers midsummer.
- G. Pappaei**—Christmas Painted Lady. Very pretty species resembling *G. cardinalis* but not such a deep colour.
- G. papilio**—Very good species, 3 ft. stem. Flowers large resembling orchids.
- G. Mostertiae**—A charming dwarf species, flowering late.

WATSONIAS.

- Watsonia meriana**—Height 5 ft., flowers vieux rose and orange. Flowers spring.
- W. meriana (variety)**—Colour clear rose pink. A more compact habit of flowering than *W. meriana* and more showy. Price £1 15s. per 100; £17 per 1,000. Excellent for cutting.
- W. angusta**—Height 5 ft., colour scarlet. Resembles the improved Montbretias.
- W. bulbifera**—Resembles *W. meriana* but flowers are not such a clear colour. Bulblets occur at base of flowers.
- W. aletroides**—Height 1½-2 ft., delightful for the rock garden. The plant in flower resembles a large *Lachenalia*. Flowers red and pendulous, sometimes pale pink.
- W. brevifolia**—Height 1-1½ ft. Flowers deep pink.
- W. stenosphon**—One of the most attractive of the small Watsonias. Height 1½ ft., flowers flame coloured.
- W. tabularis**—The most beautiful Watsonia, a native of Table Mountain. Large peach-coloured flowers, blooming at midsummer. Price 10s. per dozen.
- W. roseo-alba**—Very pretty pink and white flowers on 1 ft. stem. Perianth segments long.
- W. Versfeldii (variety Alba)**—Resembles the well-known *W. Arderonii* but the flowers are rounder and somewhat larger. 5 ft., a profuse bloomer.
- W. marginata**—Height 3-5 ft. Long delicate sprays of numerous pale pink blooms.
- W. rosea**—The common pink Watsonia of the mountain slopes. Very robust.
- W. Beatricis**—An excellent late flowering Watsonia. Strong 5 ft. stems of large flowers. Every shade of salmon, orange, terra cotta and flame.
- W. longifolia**—Resembles *W. Beatricis* but blooms a month earlier. Same range of colours, occasionally shading to deep cream or white.
- W. Stanfordiae**—One of the most beautiful. Height 4-5 ft. Flowers very large on thin stems. Colours from deep carmine to maroon. Very distinct species. Price 10s. per doz.
- W. spectabilis**—Very striking, flowers spring, blossoms very large, scarlet. Height 1½-2 ft. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- W. Pillansii**—Flowers large and clear orange. Foliage yellow-green. Height 3 ft. Blooms late.
- W. longicollis**—Height 1-1½ ft. Flowers a beautiful clear blue. Flowers midsummer.

New species :

1. Flowers orange, large regular blooms on delicate stems, grey-green foliage. Height 2 ft.
 2. Taller. Flowers deeper orange. More robust foliage, dark flower stems.
 3. Large orange-red flowers. Very wide leaves.
- W. Galpini**—Flowers autumn. Very attractive. Long delicate sprays of cerise or carmine flowers.
- W. Priorii**—Flowers deep pink and of an unusual shape. Blooms late in summer.

BABIANA.

- Babiana stricta**—Crocus-like flowers of very deep blue. Excellent for borders or the rock garden. Prices 3s. 6d.; 25s. per 100.
- (Variety) Pale blue, tall, early flowering.
- B. plicata**—Dwarf. Large lavender flowers marked with primrose and purple. Sweet scented. Price 5s. per dozen.
- B. villosa**—Flowers from deep ruby red to pale lavender. Price 5s. per dozen.
- B. stricta rubro-cyanea**—Deep blue flowers with brilliant red centres. A treasure for the rock garden. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- B. white**—An uncommon species with very large dead white flowers.
- B. MacOwenii**—Very good yellow species. Price 10s. per dozen.
- B. ringeus**—Flowers of a very unusual shape, light scarlet.

LACHENALIA.

- Lachenalia aurea**—Flowers deep orange.
- L. pendula**—Flowers large, crimson red. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- L. pustulata**—Flowers yellowish, sweet scented.
- L. orchioides**—Flowers greenish yellow, shading to mauve. Price 3s. 6d. per dozen.
- L. tricolor**—Flowers large, in green, yellow and red. Splendid species.
- L. unifolia**—Very pretty species. Flowers sky blue, shading to pink. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- L. glaucina (variety pallida)**—Yellow flowers with glaucous leaves.
- L. unicolor**—Flower spikes 1½ ft. high or more. Flowers small purple. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- L. Roodiae**—Very good deep blue species. Price 10s. per dozen.

GEISSORHIZA.

- Geissorhiza hirta**—Resembles a Babiana. Flowers in two shades of old rose. (Variety) Flowers white.
G. secunda—Small flowers, good shade of blue.
G. splendidissima—Flowers large, deep blue. Price 10s. per dozen.

SPARAXIS.

Sparaxis tricolor—

- Brick red, with dark centres.
Deep orange, with brown centres.
Deep velvety brown, with yellow centres.
Prices 3s. 6d. per dozen; 25s. per 100.

- S. grandiflora**—**Cream**—Tall, free-flowering variety. Prices 2s. per dozen; 15s. per 100.
S. grandiflora—**Purple**—The most beautiful Sparaxis. Flowers a deep velvety purple. Price 5s. per dozen.
S. Pillansii—Very tall species. Flowers old rose with yellow centres. Price 5s. per dozen.
S. bulbifera—Flowers clear yellow, very attractive. Price 5s. per dozen.
S. hybrids—Very tall and large flowered, in shades of crimson, deep amethyst or yellow. Seed only.

TRITONIA.

- Tritonia hyalina**—Flowers deep salmon or orange on dark stems. Price 3s. 6d. per dozen; 25s. per 100.
T. crocata—Orange flowers with narrower segments. Price 5s. per dozen.
T. deusta—Deep orange flowers with large brown spot on each of the three outer segments. Price 5s. per dozen.
T. lineata—Taller than the others. Flowers cream with darker veins. Prices 2s. 6d. per dozen; 15s. per 100.
T. scillaris—Very attractive, early flowering. 6 in. spikes of tiny deep pink flowers. Charming for the rock garden. Price 5s. per dozen.
T. squallida—Very attractive species, large flowers on short stems, in shades of old rose, salmon and flame.
T. securigera—Delicate flowers of light orange colours.

IXIA.

- Ixia maculata**—Flowers cream, orange or yellow, with black centres. Prices 3s. 6d. per dozen; 25s. 0d. per 100.
I. maculata—Flowers cream, orange or yellow, with black centres. Prices 3s. 6d. per dozen; 25s. 0d. per 100.
I. maculata (variety)—Taller than the type, flowering later. Flowers deep orange with red on outside of outer segments. Excellent for cutting.
I. micrandra—Flowers deep old rose pink. Price 5s. 0d. per dozen.
I. polystachia—Flowers midsummer. Flowers pure white or pink with a blue eye. Excellent for cutting. Price 3s. 6d. per dozen.
I. scariosa—Very early flowering. Flowers pale blue on delicate stems. Price 5s. 0d. per dozen.
I. viridiflora—Flowering spikes 3-4 ft. Flowers duck's-egg green with black centres. Prices 10s. 0d. per dozen.
I.—New species. Possibly a hybrid. Buds and outer segments blue or green, flower when opened clear pink, giving a wonderful "shot" effect. Stems 3-4 ft. Blooms large, stems very delicate. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
I. spectabilis—Flowers brilliant blood red. Height 1-1½ ft.

CYRTANTHUS.

- Cyrtanthus Mackenii**—White Ifafa Lily. Resembles a hyacinth, but flowers in an umbel. Sweet scented and blooms nearly whole year. Price 5s. 0d. per dozen.
C. O'Brienii—Similar to *C. Mackenii*, but flowers are a bright clear red.
C. parviflorus—Taller than preceding species, with scarlet blooms. Splendid species, always in flower.

ORNITHOGALUM.

- Ornithogalum abyssinicum**—Very large species. White globe-shaped flowers with shining black centres. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.
- O. thyrsoides**—Somewhat smaller than former species. Centres to flowers brown. The Cape Chinkeringchee. Price 4s. 0d. per dozen.
- O. Aureum**—Flowers deep yellow. Stems 6 in-1 ft.
- O. red**—A newly discovered species with very large globe-shaped blooms of marvellous colour, almost the red of *Gerbera Jamesonii*. Stems 1½-2 ft. Price 10s. 0d. per dozen.

ANTHOLYZA.

- Antholyza revoluta**—One of the mosy beautiful of the Cape wild flowers. Resembles a scarlet *Gladiolus*. Flowers almost transparent. Price 10s. 0d. per dozen.
- A. paniculata**—Flowers in 4 ft. spikes resembling a *Montbretia*. Leaves very decorative. Price 3s. 0d. per dozen.
- A. praeatta**—Species with very large red and orange flowers. Flowers very early spring.
- A. lucidor**—Splendid species with brilliant scarlet blooms. Flowers autumn.

MOREA.

- Morea villosa**—One of the most attractive of the Cape flowers. Very delicate Iris-like blooms, in various colours, blue, white, tangerine, all with peacock "eye." Delicate stems 1-1½ ft. Price 10s. 0d. per dozen.
- M. iridioides**—A much more robust plant. Flowers nearly whole year. Stems 4-5 ft. Blooms large white with gold blob on falls.
- M. spathacea**—Large clear yellow blooms on 4 ft. stems, much resembles the Yellow Flag of English streams, leaves very long and narrow.
- M. tristis**—Stems about 6 inches, flowers very unusual buff or greyish brown.

HESPERANTHA.

- Hesperantha Buhrii**—Very attractive. Flowers remain closed until 4 p.m. when the rose pink segments open and flowers show dazzling white.
- New species*—Resembles *H. Buhrii* but segments are reflexed on opening, very sweetly scented.

HYPOXIS.

- Hypoxis stellata**—Large golden star on 4 in. stem.
- H. stellata var. elegans**—White star with conspicuous peacock "eye."

HAEMANTHUS.

- Haemanthus coccineus**—Very large blood red flowers on thick spotted stems. Flowers end of summer, leaves later.
- H. carneus**—Smaller species. Flowers pink.
- H. Katharinae**—Very beautiful. Price 1s. 6d. each.

VARIOUS.

- Ferraria**—Iris like flowers in shades of brown, edges very frilled. More unusual than beautiful.
- Aristaea capitata**—Tall spikes of gentian blue blossoms. One of our best plants but difficult of germination.
- Amaryllis Belladonna**—Large flowers, pale pink. Flowers in late summer, leaves appearing later. Price 2s. 6d. per dozen.
- Vallota purpurea** or **George Lily**—Known in England as Scarborough Lily. Large bright scarlet flowers. Price 6s. 0d. per dozen. £2 per 100.
- Agapanthus umbellatus**—Small deep blue mountain species. Price 6s. 0d. per dozen.
- Dierama pendula**—Long sprays of dainty pendulous pink flowers.
- Streptanthera cuprea**—Very striking species, resembles *Sparaxis*. Flowers tangerine with petunia coloured centre surrounded by a black circle.
- Aponogeton distachyus**—Beautiful aquatic flowers, white and highly scented, will flourish in 1 ft. of water or less. Price 1s. 0d. each.
- Saundersonia aurantica**—Plants resemble miniature lilies. Flowers Orange, known as "Christmas Lanterns." Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.

Brunsvigia known as "Candelabra Plant"—Flowers arranged as a Candelabra, bright pink, when seeds are ripe the flower stalk becomes detached and rolls across the veld.

Schizostylus coccinea—Very striking, resembles a brilliant carmine Gladiolus (Ridgway scarlet-red). Flowers late autumn, requires plenty of moisture. Excellent for cutting.

Nerina sarniensis—Sometimes known as Guernsey Lily. Beautiful umbels of brilliant red flowers dusted with gold.

Nerine filifolia—Smaller species. Flowers pink, leaves evergreen.

COMPOSITES (SEEDS ONLY).

Chareis heterophylla—Beautiful little sky-blue daisy flower with deep blue centres. Annual.

Felicia capensis—Plant large. Flowers sky-blue, yellow centre. Perennial.

Gerbera Jamesonii—The well-known Barberton Daisy. Large flowers on 2 ft. stems, brilliant scarlet.

Arctotis grandis syn. **A. stockardifolia**—Beautiful silver blue. Annual. Height 2 ft.

Venidium fastuosum—Very large brilliant orange flowers, soft grey foliage. Petals in two rows forming a frill, shiny black centres, with ring of shining green-black on orange petals.

VARIOUS.

Cephalophyllum anemoniflorum—A very attractive Mesembryanthemum with large apricot coloured blooms, trailing.

Mesembryanthemum criniflorum—A very pretty annual mesym. Flowers all shades, remains in bloom until midsummer.

Conicosia sp.—Resembles large flowered mesembryanthemum. Brilliant yellow flowers which catch the light, giving sparkling effect.

Leucospermum conocarpum—Very beautiful "Protea" with large yellow flowers.

EXOTICS.

Bilbergia grandiflora—Flowers in pendant sprays, shading from yellow to green, pink and purple.

Zephyranthes candida—Small plant suitable for edging, resembles a white crocus.

Zephyranthes carinata—Flowers larger and deep pink, very good species.

Sprekelia formosissima—Very beautiful deep red lily of unusual shape. Price 6s. 0d. per dozen.

Ismene calathina—Very handsome species, resembles a very large white daffodil. Price 7s. 6d. per dozen.

Euphorbia splendens—The Christ-thorn. Makes a beautiful hedge or pot plant. 1s. 6d. each.



Miss Newman

My dear Miss Newman,
I have just received your letter of the 11th inst. and am
glad to hear from you. I am well and hope these few lines
will find you the same. I have not much news to write at
present, but will write again soon.

COMPOSITIONS (2500-3000)

1. The first composition is a short story, and the second is a
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